Responding to Literature – Book Project Ideas

- Your Project should show that you are knowledgeable about your book and that you have read and thought deeply about the book. Be creative; take pride in your work.

1. Create a life-sized model of your favorite character and dress him/her as he/she would be dressed in the book. Crouch behind the character and explain your role in the novel.

2. Create a sculpture of character. Use any medium you choose – soap, clay, sticks, wire, stone. Etc. Describe how the character is important to the plot.

3. Write a diary that one of the story’s main characters might have kept before, during, and after the book’s events. Remember a character’s thoughts and feelings are very important in a diary.

4. Dramatize (act out) a scene from the book and tell why it was an important scene to the plot of the story.

5. Build a miniature stage setting of a scene in the book. Be prepared to explain why the setting is important to the events in the book.

6. Make sketches of various scenes from your book. Explain why the scenes are important.

7. Write/Produce a movie trailer for your book. For this project, you may only use books that have not already been made into movies.

8. Dress as a character from your book and act out an important scene. Tell why the scene is important to the novel.

9. Construct a diorama of an important scene from your novel.

10. Write a letter to the main character of your book asking questions, protesting a situation, and/or making a complaint or suggestion.

11. Create a timeline for the events in your novel.

12. Create a mini-comic book that reflects the plot of the story.

13. Create and perform a puppet show of your novel.


15. Design a CD soundtrack for your novel. Create a jacket for the CD and be prepared to tell why you selected each song.

16. Create a painting of a scene from the story. Explain the importance of the scene.
17. Create a board game complete with questions that demonstrate your knowledge of the novel.

18. Create a “Wanted” poster for a character in your novel. Tell the physical and personality traits of the character and how the character related to other characters in the novel.

19. Use a cereal box to tell about your book. Cover your box with paper. Write a new title; place that on the front of the box. Pace a short explanation of the plot of the book on the back. Add catchy phrases about the book all over to get people to want to read the book. Include pictures of the characters and the author’s name.

20. Do a community service project that relates to your novel. Explain it to the class.

21. Take photographs to represent someone in your story and the changes that the character experiences. For example, if a character is sad all of the time at the beginning of the book you could take a picture of something blue as a symbol to represent being sad. If an event changes the character to make him happy, you might want to take a picture of something that makes you think of happiness. Paste your pictures in a scrapbook.

22. Write a parody/poem/ or song about your book.

23. Write a letter from one character to another character in the book.

24. Create a pretend facebook page for your main character. Who are they “friends” with? What does their profile look like? Did anyone post something on their wall?

25. Quote passages from the novel and tell why they are important to the book.


27. Make a gift for the main character in your novel. Tell why the character would like the gift.

28. Create a Power Point or Prezi presentation of your novel.

29. Create a plot mobile. Include pertinent information such as characters, setting, conflict, climax, and resolution.

30. Make the main character the “Tiger of the Day.” Explain how your character displays trust, integrity, growth, effort, and respect.